

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Staley A. Brod

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For: METHODS OF TREATING

AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE USING TYPE

ONE INTERFERONS

Group Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: Jegatheesan Seharaseyon

Atty. Dkt. No.: CLFR:114US/D5716

COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ANSWER DATED MAY 31, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

This paper is submitted in response to the Examiner's Answer mailed May 31, 2007.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/CLFR:0114US.

From Appellants review and consideration of the Examiner's Answer mailed May 31, 2007, it appears as though that Answer is substantively the same as the Answer mailed July 12, 2006, with the addition of a section entitled "Related Proceedings Appendix." In light of this, Appellants will rely on the previously-filed Reply Brief electronically filed with the PTO on

September 11, 2006, and, for this reason, believe that no further reply to the May 31, 2007 communication need be filed. If Appellants are somehow in error, a telephone call to the undersigned in earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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